

Defense Department. Witnesses heard were James H. Wakelin, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Vice Adm. J. T. Hayward, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; and Rear Adm. Thomas F. Connolly, Director of Astronautics, Department of the Navy.

## Joint Committee Meetings

### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

*Joint Committee on Atomic Energy:* Committee held an executive organizational meeting and elected Representative Holifield and Senator Pastore as its chairman and vice chairman, respectively.

*Tuesday, February 21, 1961*

## HIGHLIGHTS

House group opened hearings on feed-grain legislation.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held Wednesday, February 22, at noon.

### Committee Meetings

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Marietta Peabody Tree, of New York, to be the Representative of the U.S. on the Human Rights Commission of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations; James M. Gavin, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to France; David K. E. Bruce, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Great Britain; Henry R. Labouisse, of Connecticut, to be Director, International Cooperation Administration; and Charles F. Baldwin, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Federation of Malaya.

Prior to this action, in open session, the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Senator Keating appeared in behalf of Mrs. Tree, and Senator Dodd in behalf of Mr. Labouisse.

#### INVESTIGATIONS—MSTS

*Committee on Government Operations:* The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed its hearings on alleged irregularities in the Military Sea Transportation Service in Brooklyn, N.Y., with especial attention to existing relations between civilian employees of MSTS and certain contractors engaged in the repair of ships. Today's witnesses were Jack Balaban and Murray Gold, both General Accounting Office investigators; Alphonse Calabrese, a subcommittee staff investigator; Sigmund Pehel, formerly president of Pehel Enterprises, Inc., Brooklyn, and Leonard A. Harris, a CPA of Brooklyn, both of whom refused to answer questions on grounds of possible self-incrimination.

nation (fifth amendment); and Dante Russo, president, Ship Refractory Corp., Brooklyn.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce:* Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert E. Giles, of North Carolina, to be General Counsel, Department of Commerce; Najeeb E. Halaby, of California, to be Administrator, Federal Aviation Agency; 330 routine nominations in the Coast Guard; and 13 routine nominations in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Prior to this action, in open session, hearings were held on the nominations of Messrs. Giles and Halaby, where the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Senator Jordan testified in behalf of Mr. Giles and Senator Kuchel in behalf of Mr. Halaby.

#### AIR SAFETY

*Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce:* Continuing its hearings on air safety, the Aviation Subcommittee received further testimony from Alan Boyd, Chairman, and several other officials of the Civil Aeronautics Board, including Leon Tanguay, Philip Goldstein, and Joseph Zacko, all of the Safety Bureau.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### MINIMUM WAGE HEARINGS

*Committee on Labor and Public Welfare:* Subcommittee on Labor held an executive session, following which Chairman McNamara announced that hearings on the minimum wage bill will begin on Tuesday, February 28. The subcommittee established a schedule of 4 days of hearings at which representative groups will be heard. The subcommittee made this decision with the understanding that in the event additional hearing time was necessary, such a decision would be made at the close of the 4-day scheduled hearings.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 46 public bills, H.R. 4658-4703; 17 private bills, H.R. 4704-4720; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 250-252, H. Con. Res. 168, and H. Res. 177-182, were introduced. Pages 2481-2482, 2498-2499, 2500

**Bills Reported:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 845, to amend U.S. Code to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor (H. Rept. 12);

H.R. 856, to permit the conversion or exchange of policies of national service life insurance to a new modified plan (H. Rept. 13);

H.R. 858, relating to additional pay for managers and directors of professional services at VA medical installations (H. Rept. 14);

H.R. 860, repealing certain obsolete provisions of title 38, U.S. Code, relating to unemployment compensation for Korean conflict veterans, amended (H. Rept. 15);

H.R. 861, relating to effective date of certain statutory awards determined by the VA to be service connected (H. Rept. 16);

H.R. 866, to require findings of fact and conclusions of law by the Board of Veterans' Appeals, amended (H. Rept. 17);

H.R. 2953, relative to counting service time in more than one period of war, amended (H. Rept. 18); and

H.R. 3587, relating to outpatient care of Indian War veterans (H. Rept. 19). Page 2498

**Subpenas:** The House adopted H. Res. 177, 178, 179, 180, and 181, relating to compliance with subpenas by certain Members and employees of the House. Pages 2480-2482

**Internal Revenue Taxation:** Heard the reading of a communication that announced the appointment of Representatives Mills, King of California, O'Brien, Mason, and Byrnes of Wisconsin, to membership on the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation on the part of the House. Pages 2491-2492

**Late Reports:** The Committee on Rules was granted permission to file sundry reports by midnight Wednesday. Page 2492

**Bills Referred:** Three Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 2498

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FEED GRAINS

**Committee on Agriculture:** The Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grains heard Orville Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture, testify on the President's recommendation for feed grain legislation (H.R. 4510). Hearings continue Wednesday, February 22.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

**Committee on Armed Services:** Continued hearings on H.R. 2743, to authorize construction at military installations. Testimony was given by John B. Connally, Secretary of the Navy; Kenneth Belieu, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Material; Vice Adm. John Sylvester, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Logistics; Rear Adm. Frank L. Johnson, Office of Chief of Naval Operations; and Rear Adm. E. J. Pelter, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks. Hearings continue tomorrow with Air Force witnesses.

## MINIMUM WAGE

**Committee on Education and Labor:** Special Subcommittee on Labor concluded hearings on H.R. 3935, to amend the Minimum Wage Act. Public witnesses were heard. The committee will continue on this subject, in executive session, Thursday, February 23.

## HARBOR WORKERS—MINES

**Committee on Education and Labor:** Select Subcommittee on Labor ordered reported to the full committee H.R. 1258, to amend the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries. Heard on the measure, before action was taken, was the Director of the Employees' Compensation Bureau.

Also held a hearing on H.R. 4237, to remove the exemption with respect to certain mines employing no more than 14 individuals. Testimony was given by Senator John Cooper, and the Director of the Bureau of Mines.

## ROUSH-CHAMBERS INQUIRY

**Committee on House Administration:** Subcommittee on Elections considered H. Res. 1, regarding who shall be seated as the U.S. Representative from the Fifth Congressional District in Indiana.

## PUBLIC LANDS

**Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:** Subcommittee on Public Lands heard Interior Department officials discuss programs and schedules regarding public lands. Testimony was given by John A. Carver, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; the Director, Bureau of Land Management; and other Interior Department personnel. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

## RULES MISCELLANY

**Committee on Rules:** Ordered reported to the House the following resolutions:

H. Res. 55, to authorize the Committee on Science and Astronautics to conduct studies and investigations and make inquiries with respect to aeronautical and other scientific research and development and outer space;



H. Res. 92, to authorize the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction;

H. Res. 98, authorizing the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to conduct certain studies and investigations; and

H. Res. 141, authorizing the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct certain studies and investigations coming within its jurisdiction.

Action was deferred on H. Con. Res. 146, creating a Joint Committee on a National Fuels Policy; H. Res. 116, to amend the Rules of the House; H. Res. 27, 28, and 173, to amend the Rules of the House regarding equal access for all news media in the House and in committees.

Witnesses heard were Representatives Brooks of Louisiana (H. Res. 55); Aspinall (H. Res. 92); Bonner, George Miller (H. Res. 98); Rogers of Florida (H. Res. 116); Meader, Younger (H. Res. 27, 28, and 173); Powell, Kearns (H. Res. 141); Aspinall, Rogers of Texas, Bailey, Moore, Whalley, Morgan, Huddleston, Lane, Garbatz, Perkins, Jennings, Dooley, Van Zandt, Willis, Fulton, Kee, Conte, Smith of Mississippi, Bray, Dent (H. Con. Res. 146).

#### ORGANIZATION—VETERANS' BENEFITS

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Held an executive organizational meeting, after which the following bills were ordered favorably reported to the House:

H.R. 845, to amend U.S. Code to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor;

H.R. 856, to permit the conversion or exchange of policies of national service life insurance to a new modified plan;

H.R. 858, relating to additional pay for managers and directors of professional services at VA medical installations;

H.R. 860 (amended), repealing certain obsolete provisions of title 38, U.S. Code, relating to unemployment compensation for Korean conflict veterans;

H.R. 861, relating to effective date of certain statutory awards determined by the VA to be service connected;

H.R. 866 (amended), to require findings of fact and conclusions of law by the Board of Veterans' Appeals;

H.R. 2953 (amended), relative to counting service time in more than one period of war;

H.R. 3587, relating to outpatient care of Indian War veterans;

H.R. 846, to provide additional compensation for veterans having the service-connected disability of deafness of both ears;

H.R. 873, to provide an increased statutory rate of compensation for veterans suffering the loss or loss of use of an eye in combination with the loss or loss of use of a limb.

Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

#### UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION EXTENSION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Met in executive session to consider H.R. 3864, to provide for the establishment of a temporary program of extended unemployment compensation, to increase the wages subject to the Federal unemployment tax; and H.R. 3865 to authorize Federal financial participation in aid to dependent children of unemployed parents.

The committee will continue on this subject, in executive session, Wednesday, February 22.

### Joint Committee Meetings

#### STATE OF ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

*Joint Committee on Atomic Energy:* Committee began its annual series of hearings on the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, held in accordance with section 202 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954. Testimony was received from John S. Graham, Acting Chairman, and Robert Wilson and Loren K. Olson, both members, who were accompanied and assisted by other officials of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Hearings will continue on Thursday, February 23.

Wednesday, February 22, 1961

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard reading of Washington's Farewell Address.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages 2507-2547*

**Bills Introduced:** 24 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1026-1049; S. Con. Res. 14; and S. Res. 92-93.

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**Senate Schedule:** Order was entered that when Senate completes its business on Friday, February 24, it will adjourn until Tuesday, February 28.

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**Washington's Farewell Address:** George Washington's Farewell Address was read to the Senate by Senator Butler.

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